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Examiner: Luke R. Osborne
Group Art Unit: 2123

Title: METHOD FOR AUTOMATIC COMMUNITY
MODEL GENERATION BASED ON UNI-PARITY
DATA

AFFIDAVIT
Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.131(b)

1. I, John J. Salerno, make this affidavit pursuant to Title 37 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Patents Trademarks and Copyrights, Section 1.131(b), for the purpose of establishing the date of conception and reduction to practice of my invention entitled METHOD FOR AUTOMATIC COMMUNITY MODEL GENERATION BASED ON UNI-PARITY DATA as filed in U.S. Patent Application 10/800,489 on March 15, 2004, as being prior to the date of the reference cited by the Examiner under 35 USC §102(a) in an Office Action dated September 30, 2008. I reside at 6109 Walker Road, Deerfield, NY. I am presently a principal computer engineer at the Air Force Research Laboratory, Rome, New York.

2. I conceived my invention in cooperation with my coinventor, Dr. Zhongfei Zhang, associate professor of computer science at the State University of New York at Binghamton, New York, during Dr. Zhang's first work assignment at AFRL under grant number F30602-02-M-V020. I oversaw Dr. Zhang's work here at AFRL and collaborated in his research leading to the conception of our invention. Dr. Zhang reported our joint invention to AFRL on August 21, 2002 on a DD Form 882 Report of Inventions and Subcontracts (attached hereto) as required by the terms of his grant. Dr. Zhang prepared and submitted to me a Final Report entitled "CORAL: A Data Mining Technique for Automatic Model Generation" in August 2002 that documented his efforts under the grant during summer 2002, including an enabling description of our invention (attached hereto).

3. Dr. Zhang returned to AFRL for another work assignment under a second grant during the summer of 2003 where he and I further reduced our invention to practice, including focusing on its practical application. Dr. Zhang documented and submitted to AFRL this further reduction to practice in a final report entitled "Uni-Parity Data Community Generation Research and Its Applications" in August 2003 (attached hereto).

At the conclusion of this work assignment Dr. Zhang and I provided the AFRL patent attorney, Mr. Joseph A. Mancini, with all the materials necessary for his drafting of the patent application covering our invention.

4. My coinventor, Dr. Zhang, and I authored a paper entitled "Applying Data Mining in Investigating Money Laundering Crimes" which was submitted to the SIGKDD '03 Conference held in Washington, DC in August 24-27, 2003. Philip S. Yu, being well-known in the field, was asked to and did provide an editorial review of this paper and, as a courtesy, was included as an author. Philip Yu is neither a coinventor of nor was he at any time prior to the filing of our patent application 10/800,489 in possession of knowledge to enable him to practice our invention.

Affiant: John J. Salerno
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On the 22nd day of October in the year 2008 before me, a Notary Public in and for the county of ONEIDA and state of New York, personally appeared John J. Salerno, personally known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the individual whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me the he executed the same in his capacity, and that by his signature on the instrument, the individual, or the person upon behalf of which the individual acted, executed the instrument as his free act and deed.

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Notary Public

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| ZHANG, ZHONGFEI | | ASSISTANT PROFESSOR | |  | | 21 AUGUST 2002 | | | | | |



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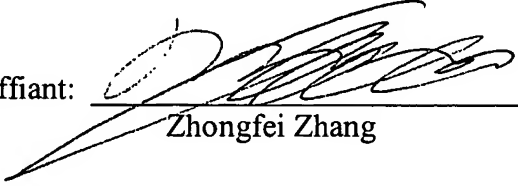
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On the 20 day of October in the year 2008 before me, a Notary Public in and for the county of Broome and state of New York, personally appeared Zhongfei Zhang, personally known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the individual whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same in his capacity, and that by his signature on the instrument, the individual, or the person upon behalf of which the individual acted, executed the instrument as his free act and deed.

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